



ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST
BYZANTINE RUTHENIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Confessions: half an hour before/
after each service or by appointment

Sunday Liturgy: 9.30AM

Weekday Liturgy: as scheduled in the
bulletin

Sick Calls: As scheduled,
or anytime in case of an emergency

Readings and Music March 8:

Heb 14:14-5:6; Mark 8:34-9:1

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WELCOME TO ST JOHNS

"For my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples" (Isaiah 56:7) We welcome all visitors and new members to our parish family and hope you will become an active part of our parish community by participating fully in our spiritual and social life. We are delighted to welcome you! With faith, hope, and love as we continue our journey together,

Fr Gregory and parish family

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE MARCH 8-15

Sunday March 8 – *Third Sunday of the Great Fast/Veneration of the Cross*

9.00am – Matins

9.30am – Divine Liturgy, +Joe Murphy, by Robert & Joyce Kopac

Wednesday March 11 – *Midlent/Sophronius Patriarch of Jerusalem*

6.00pm – Divine Liturgy of St Gregory Pope of Rome, +Barbara Fedele, w Panachida, by Tom Galatie

Friday March 13 – *Translation of the Relics of Nicephorus - Patriarch*

12.00pm – Lenten Hours: The Office of the Sixth Hour

Confessions

Saturday March 14 – *Fourth All Souls Saturday*

10.00am – Divine Liturgy with Panachida and Reading of Hramoty

3.00pm – The Office of the Ninth Hour

3.15/5.00pm – Confessions

Sunday March 15 – *Fourth Sunday of the Great Fast*

9.00am – Matins

9.30am – Divine Liturgy, +Michael Shuck, w Panachida, by wife

ATTENDANCE AND COLLECTIONS

March 1: attendance: 50; collections: \$6,479.00

We are very grateful for your faithful attendance and generosity. Your giving helps us live out our mission of love and service in our community. May God bless you in many ways!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The **Ladies Guild** will meet on Sunday, **March 15th**, following the Divine Liturgy.

Easter Candy Sale. The Ladies Guild is holding its annual Easter Candy fundraiser featuring Fascia's Chocolates. The fundraising catalogue can be found in the vestibule and it is attached to the bulletin too. The orders will be accepted through **March 15**. Thank you for your participation and continued support of this initiative.

Pysanky Class. We are also excited to offer a pysanky workshop this year as a Lenten activity reflecting our Eastern Christian heritage. The workshop will be led by Denise and Lisa and will be held on Saturday, **March 21**, from 10am to 2pm. Please note that spots are limited due to space requirements for the workshop. We will share more details soon, but in the meantime, you can reach out to Denise or Lisa for more information.

Parish Lenten Retreat and Choral Divine Liturgy. One of the most significant ways to live the Great Lent is to attend a spiritual retreat. We will hold a retreat at St. John's on the Feast of the Annunciation, **March 25**. The day will include a Choral Divine Liturgy with Fr. Al Forlano preaching, the opportunity for Lenten confessions, and a social to follow. Please consider attending this special moment of blessing.

Hramoty. As we have entered the Great Lent, we continue to commemorate our departed loved ones through the celebration of five Divine Liturgies and Panachida. As we celebrated the first All Souls early in February, the upcoming services for the deceased will take place on March 14 and May 23. In blessed repose, grant O Lord to the souls of your departed servants eternal rest and remember them forever.

ByzanTeen Rally. Every two years, our four Byzantine Eparchies organize this rally for teens throughout our parishes in different locations across the country. It is a truly meaningful gathering where our youth have the opportunity to pray and play together, share their faith, and discover that there are other teens throughout the whole country who share our Byzantine tradition. This year, the rally will take place at John Carroll University in Cleveland, Ohio, from July 9–12, 2026. The theme for this gathering is "Take Courage! I Have Overcome the World" (John 16:33). It promises to be a wonderful time together that will create lasting memories for all participants. For more info please talk to the Father and visit: <https://archpitt.org/byzanteen-rally-2026/>

Byzantine Catholic Young Adults Convocation 2026. From July 31 through August 2, 2026, the Byzantine Catholic Young Adult Convocation will be held at St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church in Hillsborough, NJ. The theme for this gathering is "Encounter the Heart of the God-Bearer." It is designed for young adults between the ages of 18 and 35 to gather for fellowship and communal prayer. This event promises three days dedicated to faith and transformation, providing a meaningful space for spiritual growth within our tradition. For those who are interested in learning more about the schedule or registration details, please visit the www.heartofthegodbearer.org